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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 19, 2003 in connection with the above-identified patent application and in accordance with Rule 116 of the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: 1) an Amendment Fee Transmittal, accompanied by the appropriate fee; 2) a Petition for Extension of Time for a period of three months from February 19, 2004 up to and including May 19, 2004, accompanied by the appropriate fee; 3) a Notice of Appeal, accompanied by the appropriate fee; and 4) a Revocation and Power of Attorney.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begins on page 5 of this paper.